

MINUTES

HORSE CAVE CITY COUNCIL

August 14, 2017

The Horse Cave City Council met in regular session Monday, August 14, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall. Present were Mayor Randall Curry, council members Maronda Gibson, Velpha Hatchett, Jackie Buckingham, Perry Martin and David Lindsey. Absent was Vickie Rogers. Mayor Curry declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Randall Curry led the opening prayer and Ken Russell led the pledge to the American flag.

Motion was made by Velpha Hatchett, seconded by Jackie Buckingham that the minutes of the July, 2017 meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Voting aye – Gibson, Lindsey, Hatchett, Buckingham, Martin

Voting nay – None

GUESTS-There were no guest.

REPORTS

- A. Ken Russell, Code Enforcement Officer, presented his monthly report.
- B. Annette Lang, Treasurer, presented the financial report as of July 31, 2017 noting this was the first month of the new fiscal year and there was little activity to report. Lang reported the 2016-17 audit was scheduled for late August.

OLD BUSINESS-No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **ORDINANCE 2017-07: FIRST READING.** An ordinance setting 2017 tax rates for real & personal property, motor vehicles and watercraft.

Motion made by Perry Martin, seconded by Velpha Hatchett to approve the alternate rate of 0.138 on real property, 0.133 on personal property, 0.19 on motor vehicles and watercraft and accept the rate of .05 library tax. Motion carried 4-1.

Voting aye – Gibson, Hatchett, Buckingham, Martin

Voting nay – Lindsey

- B. **DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY.**

Motion made by Perry Martin, seconded by Jackie Buckingham to declare two non-working outdoor warning sirens as surplus property to be advertised for sale. Motion carried 5-0.

Voting aye – Gibson, Lindsey, Hatchett, Buckingham, Martin

Voting nay – None

C. APPROVE APPLICATION OF 2018 LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT.

Motion made by Velpha Hatchett, seconded by Maronda Gibson to approve Mayor Curry to sign documents for the 2018 Litter Abatement Grant. Motion carried 5-0.

Voting aye – Gibson, Lindsey, Hatchett, Buckingham, Martin

Voting nay – None

Citizens Concerns

- A. Curtis Wilson, 205 W. Main Street approached the Council of his concern for a surface drain on the corner of W. Main St. and Veluzat St. which borders his property. In May of 2017 a large rain overflowed the drain and caused considerable damage to his property. An insurance claim was denied by the City's insurance carrier and he expressed his dismay for the denial and the City's response to his claim. Council members Jackie Buckingham and Perry Martin agreed to further investigate the problem as to whether the City could alleviate the likelihood of a similar occurrence in heavy rains.

Council Concerns

- A. Jackie Buckingham reported some necessary work had been completed on Wathall Ave due to water line breaks. He is hopeful that sidewalk repairs will be completed on W. Main St. in August.
- B. Maronda Gibson expressed appreciation to several individuals, businesses, and industries that helped in welcoming the Rural Urban Exchange (RUX) students to Horse Cave and feeding them during their visit. Gibson also reported the Beautification Committee would soon be cleaning and making necessary improvements to the entrance way signs on 31-W and Hwy 218. The committee is also working on new ideas for the Christmas holiday season and plan to have quarterly events including a movie night on October 14.

Departmental Reports

- A. Reports were from the Fire Dept, Police Dept, and Public Works Dept were presented.

Mayor's Report

- A. Mayor Curry reported and expressed his appreciation to Sister Schubert who purchased 3 self-contained breathing apparatus and 3 extra tanks, (value over \$15,000) for the Horse Cave Fire Dept.
- B. Reported the Heritage Festival is scheduled for Sept 15-16
- C. Reported the outdoor warning siren purchased with a \$13,800 Homeland Security Grant had arrived and has been installed by the Public Works Dept and Fire Dept. and the wiring necessary should be completed within a week and operational.
- D. Reported the large-item drop off was scheduled for Sept 28, 29, and 30 in Horse Cave.

Motion was made by Perry Martin, seconded by Velpha Hatchett, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried 5-0 by standing vote at 6:45 PM.

CITY OF HORSE CAVE

DATE: 9/11/17

Ken Russell

Ken Russell, City Clerk

Randall Curry
Randall Curry, Mayor

